

NOT GAGAKU

only a few esoteric comrades  
of mine will  
understand th'title

it may be that I've never met them  
save through th'mail

th'part of my soul  
that resides in  
a poem  
perhaps

maybe I  
have met them that  
way

maybe it's wish  
ful thinking

we will not know this  
mundane fact  
this time  
around

but I know this  
humans have demons in'em  
and those humans that do  
not exorcise their own  
demons  
are taken over by  
demons

and I know this

only a valid alive art  
can do it  
exorcise demons

could I be  
wrong? sure

but I know it anyway — all  
th'above

demons wiggle their faces in a nod  
a strong  
nod